

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 TEHRAN 08131 140604Z  
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05 H-02 INR-07  
L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15  
USIA-15 IO-14 OMB-01 /083 W  
-----087262 140840Z /20  
R 140402Z SEP 77  
FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4508

UNCLAS TEHRAN 8131

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: IR  
SUBJ: SHAH'S REMARKS ON U.S. -- IRAN RELATIONS

1. AS PART OF LONG KAYHAN INTERVIEW PRINTED SEPTEMBER 13TH,  
SHAH HAD FOLLOWING REMARKS ON U.S.-- IRAN RELATIONS IN REPLY  
TO QUESTION ABOUT HIS FORTHCOMING VISIT TO WASHINGTON:

"RELATIONS BETWEEN IRAN AND THE UNITED STATES ARE  
GOOD AND I DON'T THINK THEY COULD BE OTHERWISE. CERTAIN  
THINGS THAT ARE SAID STEM FROM SPECULATIONS BY SOME OF  
YOUR JOURNALISTS COLLEAGUES WHO, AT TIMES, INCLINE TOWARDS  
SENSATIONALISM.

"WHENEVER A NEW ADMINISTRATION TAKES OVER THERE ARE THOSE  
WHO IMAGINE THAT EVERYTHING WILL BE CHANGED. BUT IT  
IS ONLY INDIVIDUALS WHO CHANGE; THE LONG-TERM INTERESTS  
OF A NATION CANNOT CHANGE. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT  
EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW THAT IF ANYONE WANTS A THIRD OR FOURTH  
RATE IRAN WE SHALL NOT TOLERATE THAT. WE SHALL  
NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING LESS THAN A FIRST CLASS  
POSITION FOR IRAN.

"IF THEY ACCEPT THIS, THEN THEY SHOULD MEET OUR  
DEMANDS. IF THEY DO NOT ACCEPT THAT...WELL, THEN  
I WILL SIT DOWN AND MAKE UP MY OWN MIND ABOUT THE BEST  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 TEHRAN 08131 140604Z

MEANS OF SAFEGUARDING MY COUNTRY'S INTERESTS, ALWAYS  
REMEMBERING THAT IRAN MUST HAVE A FIRST CLASS STATUS."

2. COMMENT: THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT THE SHAH'S REMARKS  
ON "FIRST CLASS POSITION" REFER TO IMPORTANT IRANIAN  
REQUIREMENTS SUCH AS AWACS. REST OF INTERVIEW BEING  
REPORTED SEPARATELY.

SULLIVAN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** FOREIGN RELATIONS, PRESS CONFERENCES  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Sent Date:** 14-Sep-1977 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Date:** 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1977TEHRAN08131  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Expiration:**  
**Film Number:** D770332-1185  
**Format:** TEL  
**From:** TEHRAN  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1977/newtext/t19770962/aaaacary.tel  
**Line Count:** 63  
**Litigation Code IDs:**  
**Litigation Codes:**  
**Litigation History:**  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Message ID:** 704f4046-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Office:** ACTION NEA  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Retention:** 0  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 29-Nov-2004 12:00:00 am  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**SAS ID:** 1270297  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** SHAH'S REMARKS ON U.S. -- IRAN RELATIONS  
**TAGS:** PDEV, IR, US, (PAHLAVI, MOHAMMAD REZA)  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**vdkgvwkey:** odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS\_Docs/704f4046-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc  
**Review Markings:**  
Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
22 May 2009  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009